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Subject: RE: Question from Senate Non-plurality voting method study commission
Attachments: materials

Pat,

Attached are materials that we referenced on "Top-Two" in California.

Candidates cannot qualify for the November California ballot without participating in the "Top Two" qualifying election.

Please let us know if you need anything else.

Gary

From: Patricia Breslin <pbreslin@rilegislature.gov>
Sent: Monday, May 15, 2023 5:24 PM
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Subject: Question from Senate Non-plurality voting method study commission

Hi Gary,

The next meeting of the Senate study commission is May 31 and it is a public comment session as well as a commission member discussion.

Chair Zurier asked if you can help with the answers to a few questions on the California primary system. They are:

1. Can you provide us copies of the literature you cited that documents the successes of the California "top two" open primary program?
2. Do you know whether a candidate can qualify for the November ballot without participating in the "top two" qualifying election? If so, what are the requirements for that candidate to gain a spot on the ballot?

Thank you for your assistance. Please call if you have any questions.

Best,

Pat



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